



The year in which the city of Waterloo, New York gathered to honor their war dead is widely disputed. But it seems that regardless of the year, their celebration in the mid-1800's is widely regarded as the first official Memorial Day. The war which took the lives of their soldiers was the American Civil War. Congratulations to Michael McKinney of Covina, who rides Line 480. This month's category is the Olympics. Good luck!

Remember that all correct answers received by the last Friday of the month will be placed in a drawing for a free Foothill Transit 31-day pass! As always, employees of Foothill Transit contractors and their families are not eligible. Please limit entries to one per customer.

Name _____
 Address _____
 City & Zip _____
 I ride Line # _____
 Daytime phone _____
 Evening phone _____

Here is this month's question:
During the first Olympic games, only two types of medals were awarded to athletes instead of three. What metals were they made of?
ANSWER: _____

Send your answers to Footnotes, c/o Foothill Transit, 100 N. Barranca Ave., Suite 100, West Covina, CA, 91791. Please include your personal information, so we can let you know if you've won.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Fourth of July is just around the corner! Check with your local cities for information on their holiday schedules!

Arcadia Eisenhower Park 2PM-5PM	Covina Covina Park 7:30AM-12PM	El Monte Mountain View Park 1PM-3PM	West Covina West Covina High School 7AM-10PM
Claremont Memorial Park 7AM-4PM	Diamond Bar Sycamore Canyon Park 6PM-9:30PM	La Verne Bonita High School 6PM-9:30PM	

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Doran J. Barnes
 Executive Director

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Each month, we're going to highlight a different aspect of our new customer relations program, *Bus Basics*. *Bus Basics* was designed to draw customer attention to proper bus etiquette and behavior to ensure a safe and comfortable ride for all of our customers. Thank you for helping us make your ride, glide!

Two of the new *Bus Basics* that most people might overlook involve something that everyone deserves. But you may not realize how important it is to your bus ride.

Respect transit property.

Have you ever wondered why you rarely, if ever, see

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What it means to all of us.

graffiti on a Foothill Transit bus? That's because none of our buses leave the yard with any mark longer than a quarter inch long.

Graffiti is removed almost the instant it appears. It's our own 'mark' of pride that our buses come to you without a mark.



Defacing bus property is not only a crime; it is disrespectful to the men and women who work so hard to bring clean and pleasant buses to your communities. For many of your fellow customers, the bus is where they spend an impor-

tant part of their day. We should all treat it with the same respect that we would show while in someone else's home.

Respect your bus driver.

Your bus operator has a tremendous responsibility in making sure that everyone on board their bus has a safe and pleasant ride. Safety always comes first. And your bus operator needs your cooperation in making that happen.

Follow your bus operator's directions. Have your

passes, correct fare, and appropriate identification ready before you board. If you have a question about stops or transfers, wait until the bus has come to a complete stop before asking your question. And if your ride was a pleasant one, please thank them as you leave. You'd be surprised how far a little courtesy will go.

In our rush to get from point A to point B, it's easy to forget something like respect. But it's an essential element of *Bus Basics*. Every other rule is based on the fundamental principle that the bus belongs to everyone, and that it, and the people aboard, deserve your respect.

Bus Basics

// Your Ride

Cal Poly TransCenter Update

Progress on a return to the center of campus

While most students at Cal Poly Pomona plan on taking the summer off, we at Foothill Transit are continuing to work diligently to bring our buses back to campus.

Previously planned road construction had pushed Foothill Transit buses off campus temporarily. Now that the road repairs are complete, other safety concerns regarding the construction of a new student parking structure near the TransCenter location have highlighted the need for Foothill Transit and Cal Poly Pomona to find

it a new home on campus.

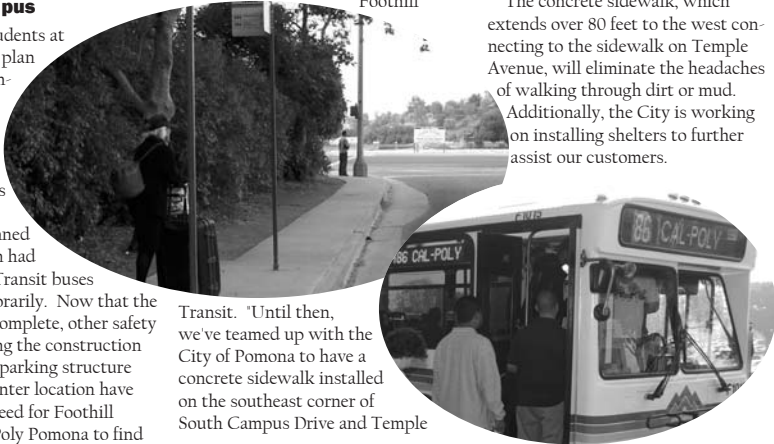
"We're working in partnership with the University to negotiate a speedy return to the main campus," said Doran Barnes, Executive Director of

Foothill

Avenue."

This location was once dirt and grass, making it extremely difficult for passengers to access, especially during the rainy season.

The concrete sidewalk, which extends over 80 feet to the west connecting to the sidewalk on Temple Avenue, will eliminate the headaches of walking through dirt or mud. Additionally, the City is working on installing shelters to further assist our customers.



Transit. "Until then, we've teamed up with the City of Pomona to have a concrete sidewalk installed on the southeast corner of South Campus Drive and Temple

Have you made your plans for the Fourth of July yet? Check the back page for local fireworks celebrations and festivals!

Along the Way: Stops, starts, and everything in between

Line: 187
Endpoints: Raymond Avenue in Old Town Pasadena and the Claremont TransCenter.

Line 187 is one of the longest and oldest east-west routes that Foothill Transit operates. Along with having many important stops, it also connects to a great number of other Foothill Transit lines along the way. Major stops include the new

Metro Gold Line Station, connecting customers to Union Station and points in between via the light rail system, the Montclair TransCenter,

For more information about stops, starts and connections, call us at 1-800-RIDE-INFO or visit us on the web at www.foothilltransit.org.

and the Claremont TransCenter, located in historic downtown Claremont.

The 187 also connects several colleges, providing transportation

between Pasadena City College, Citrus College, Azusa Pacific University, and the seven Claremont College campuses. Students taking classes at multiple campuses will find the direct commutes on the 187 much more cost effective than maintaining and operating a private vehicle.

Other stops of note include Old Town Pasadena, the new Paseo Colorado Shopping Center, The Shops at Lake Avenue, Restaurant Row in Monrovia, and the shops and cafes around downtown Claremont.

// Foothill News

Introducing Our Newest Executive Board Member

Wilfred E. Briesemeister was elected to the Foothill Transit Executive Board, during the Annual Meeting held on May 5, 2004, as an



appointee of L.A. County Supervisor, Don Knabe, and has been a member of Foothill Transit's Governing Board since 1999. A practicing attorney for 28 years, he serves as Staff Attorney of Chapter 13 Trustee, Nancy Curry.

Briesemeister is also an active advocate for his community, serving as past-president for both Kiwanis and the Hacienda Heights Improvement Association. He was also the co-founder of the Puente Hills branch of the American Heart Association and is a member of the Puente Hills Chamber of Commerce. He currently serves as president for the Pat McCormack Educational Foundation.

Briesemeister is filling the seat left by outgoing Executive Board member, Patricia Wallach. Patricia Wallach has served on the Foothill Transit Executive Board for three years and departs having accomplished a great deal for the community she represents.

"I'm looking forward to a fulfilling term with the Foothill Transit Executive Board," said Briesemeister. "This truly is a premiere organization and I'm proud and honored to be a part of it."

Executive Board members elected Azusa Council Member Dick Stanford to serve as Foothill Transit's Executive Board President, replacing outgoing President Bob Huff, who remains on the Executive Board. Executive Board Member Paula Lantz was elected to the Vice President's position.

Board Approves 2005 Budget Includes plans to enhance transit security, commuter parking, and CNG technology.

Transit security, the relocation of the Foothill Transit administration offices, and the launch of the new SmartBus project were

among the initiatives approved unanimously by the Foothill Transit Governing Board at the May 5th Annual Meeting at Foothill Transit's

Administration Offices.

Other important initiatives brought to the table included the 2005-2007 Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP), and welcoming of a new Executive Board member to replace outgoing Vice President, Patricia Wallach, who will remain on the Governing Board.

Participation in the annual meeting was very strong with 23 out of 24 Governing Board members on hand to unanimously approve Foothill Transit's FY 2005 Budget. The budget includes operating expenses of \$53.9 million and a capital pro-

gram of \$78.1 million. The Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) and service reductions scheduled for September 2004 were also unanimously approved.

Chief among the approved initiatives were an expansion of the Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) fleet with the addition of 75 new buses to be added at the end of the year, and the installation of a

CNG fueling station at the Irwindale Operations Facility. Up until this year, all of our CNG buses were deployed out of the Pomona



The new City of Industry Park and Ride highlights the growing need for commuter parking.

facility.

One new item of note was the addition of a transit Security Program to address current challenges faced in a changing transit environment. The new program will focus attention on cooperative measures with local, front-line emergency departments, public awareness, bus operator training, and crisis management.

Other projects include a continuation of the Transit Oriented Neighborhood Program and the installation of a public access CNG fueling station.

Congratulations to the May Employees of the Month!

Pomona
Operator: Sylvia Hutchinson
Employee: Trudy Payne

Irwindale
Operator: Lucille Ruiz
Employee: Lawrence Lagant